

## ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

Compounds having combined, particularly concurrent, inhibitory activity on neutral endopeptidase (NEP) and on a novel metalloprotease designated IGS5, or of a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate or biolabile ester thereof, and related methods for treating and for the manufacture of a pharmaceutical composition for a mammal, preferably a larger mammal such as a human, suffering from or being susceptible to a disease or condition which can be alleviated or inhibited by combined or concurrent inhibition of NEP and IGS5. Treatments for diseases or conditions where big-ET-1 levels are elevated, or where ET-1 is upregulated, where such diseases or conditions can be alleviated or inhibited by combined or concurrent inhibition of NEP and IGS5.